## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

After paragraph [023], please insert the following paragraph:

FIG. 3 is a flow chart showing exemplary steps for obtaining representative text items from a plurality of text items in an active task being accessed by a user on a data processing system, using an adaptive weight system.

Please add the following paragraph between paragraph [097] and paragraph [098]:

FIG. 3 is a flow chart showing exemplary steps performed by system 100 for obtaining representative text items from a plurality of text items in an active task being accessed by a user on a data processing system, using an adaptive weight system. The active task is a task other than entering search terms for the purpose of retrieving information. For instance, the active task may be a Word document being manipulated by a user. Each of the plurality of text items having a plurality of attributes. In step 301, information related to the plurality of text items in the active task being accessed by the user is received. In step 303, for each of the plurality of text items in the active task being accessed by the user, system 100 identifies each of the plurality of attributes based on the received information related to the plurality of text items. In step 305, system 100 assigns a weight to each of the plurality of attributes associated with each of the text items. At least two of the plurality of attributes are assigned different weights. For each of the plurality of text items in the active task being accessed by the user, calculating an accumulated weight by accumulating the weight assigned to each of the plurality of attributes (step 307). In step 309, system 100 ranks the plurality of text items in the active task being accessed by the user based on the accumulated weight of each of the plurality of text items. In

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step 311, system 100 generates the representative text items based on a result of the ranking step.

For instance, as discussed earlier, text items with top 20 accumulated weights are selected as representative text items of the active task.